

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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Senate Bill 406 - An Act Concerning Licensure of Assistant Radiologists

The Department of Public Health opposes Senate Bill 406.

- This bill would establish a new licensing program for assistant radiologists.
- As currently drafted, the bill does not identify any education, training and competency evaluation requirements necessary to qualify for a license.
- Development and implementation of a new licensing program would have significant fiscal impact on the Department, as it could not be accomplished within existing resources.
- In this time of scarce resources, particular attention should be given to the fiscal impact of new regulatory programs. The Department urges the Committee to make those resources available to other public health programs most immediately critical to the well being of our state's citizens.
- The Department does not support this bill at this time as the Governor's budget does not provide resources for this purpose.

Thank you for your consideration of the Department's views on this bill.

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